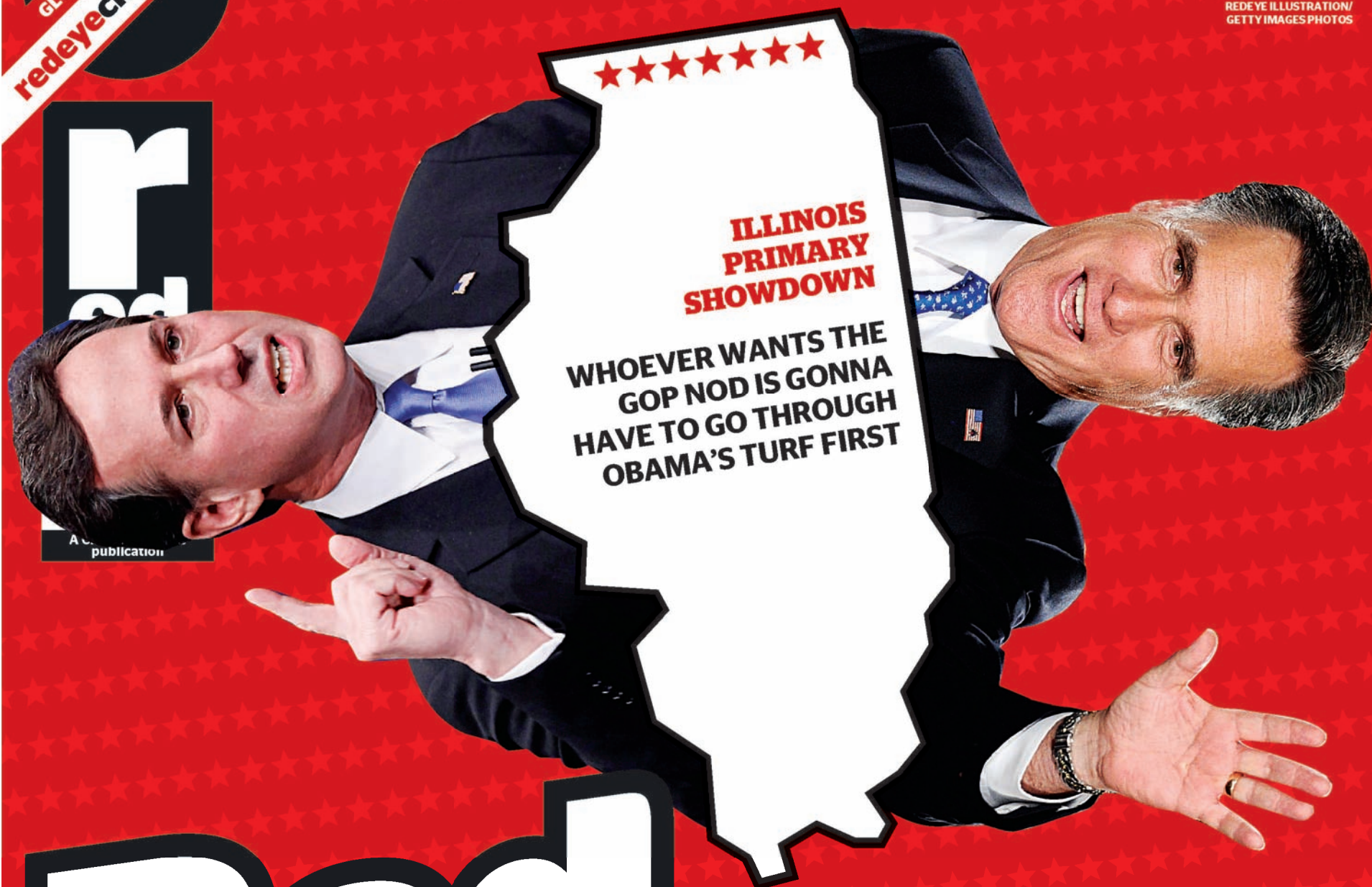


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# Red Rumble

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# DRINK

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# THE RISE & FALL & RISE OF CROCS

How a company built on colorful clogs got its groove back

CNN

**NIWOT, Colo.** Crocs, the distinctive colorful clogs loved and hated in equal measure, first hit stores in 2004 and were an immediate hit. By 2007, the Colorado-based company was selling 50 million pairs a year, reaching \$850 million in sales. Then it all went south.

The economic collapse in 2008, combined with a saturated market, created what Crocs CEO John McCarvel described as a “perfect confluence of events.”

“Too many people have the same product, selling it to the same consumers, and just our inability to evolve as a brand caused a turn of fortunes in the business,” he said.

The company was hit hard. In one year, it went from a \$200 million profit to a \$200 million loss in 2008. There were too many Crocs in too many stores, and some people had grown weary of the comfortable, but not exactly fashion-forward, design.

By early 2009, the company was almost out of cash and struggling to make payroll. It needed to find a way to attract new customers.

“We had to innovate our way out of the situation we had put ourselves in,” McCarvel said.

In other words, the company would have to expand beyond its classic clogs if it was going to survive.

“I think you do get to the point where maybe everybody has a red and a blue and a black pair and they are looking for something else, and that was part of the strategy,” said Christy Saito, the company’s vice president of product design. “We need to offer different looks for people because they can’t wear the same thing every single day.”

While Crocs clogs were undeniably popular, they also were



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scorned by fashionistas and people tired of seeing the colorful plastic shoes nearly everywhere. One hater started an I Hate Crocs blog, and another launched a Facebook page called “I Don’t Care How Comfortable Crocs Are, You Look Like a [Bleep]” which has more than 1.6 million “likes.”

“A lot of the haters didn’t like the way other people looked in them, but they did maybe resent a little bit the comfort those people had and that they had the courage to go ahead and go out in public and wear them,” explained Dale Bathum, Crocs’ senior vice president of product.

So the company set out to create a new line of shoes—flats, wedges, sneakers, boat shoes, even winter boots—that would be as comfortable as the clogs, but would appeal to more style-conscious consumers.

Crocs still sells plenty of its old-school clogs, but the new designs now account for 54 percent of the company’s sales.

“Our main focus today is getting new customers to understand that we’re no longer just a clog,” McCarvel said. “I think this is our biggest challenge as a brand today ... getting people to take a look at us in a different way.”

## BY THE NUMBERS

Not even 10 years old, the manufacturer of Crocs has seen some highs and lows since it introduced its distinctive clogs to the world. Here’s a look at the company’s current balance sheet. **CNN**

**120**

Number of Crocs stores in the U.S.

**100**

Number of Crocs stores planned to open in 2012

**65%**

Share of sales made up by overseas markets

**\$150 million**

Crocs profits in 2011

**\$1 billion**

Crocs total revenue in 2011



# Cautionary tale: CTA slow zones



GOING PUBLIC

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The Red Line, the backbone of the "L," has become more like a ball of nerves. Last week, the CTA touted a 3 percent increase in ridership from 2010 to 2011, but the southern portion of the Red Line saw a dip—perhaps because of slow zones.

The case of Red Line slow zones may

provide clues to how Red Line and Loop ridership could be affected in the next few months when two construction projects likely will bring similar slowdowns. The CTA will work on renewing track in the Loop this spring, and the agency will improve stations on the northern sections of the Red Line this summer.

The Loop project, slated to begin in mid-April, involves replacing nearly 11,500 feet of track. The CTA said construction work will be limited primarily to weekends. Reroutes are anticipated in the Loop on Friday nights while full closure of portions of Loop track is expected for the rest of the weekend.

Separately, the northern Red Line project, which is anticipated to begin this summer, involves modernizing seven stations by water proofing and improving lighting. Plans include temporary station closures expected to last no more than six weeks.

Meanwhile, the southern portion of the Red Line remains under a slow zone as the CTA performs track renewal. This area has seen train speeds between 15 and 35 mph for months.

This time last year, more than 38 percent of the southern portion of the line, from

Cermak-Chinatown to 95th Street, was under a slow zone. Correspondingly, this section of the Red Line saw a 1 percent decrease in weekday ridership compared with the previous year.

Only the Sox-35th and Cermak-Chinatown stations along that portion of line posted weekday gains. The Cermak-Chinatown stop was under construction for most of 2010 after a truck crashed into the station two years earlier.

Riders have been known to modify their commute if construction or cuts lengthen it. When the CTA reduced bus service by 18 percent in 2010, about 3 percent of bus riders became rail riders, according to CTA ridership reports.

When the CTA worked on Orange Line signal problems, which created slow zones for about eight months in 2010, a small percentage of riders ditched the line. Orange Line ridership rebounded last year, posting a 4 percent increase over 2010.

Since the Loop and Red Line project will (presumably) take place in nice weather, some riders may choose to walk or ride their bikes instead of dealing with the hassle of shuttered stations or slow zones.

But some most likely will turn to the bus system. Buses that mirror the northern Red Line—the Michigan Avenue Express buses, the No. 36-Broadway and the No. 22 Clark—will likely see increased ridership this summer.

Then maybe by next year, buses will be the new heart of the system.

## TALK TO US

How do you cope with rail slow zones? Do you turn to bus or bike? Send an email to [tswartz@tribune.com](mailto:tswartz@tribune.com). Please include your full name, age and neighborhood.

## STATIONARY A weekly dispatch from a CTA station of note

**This week:** Washington/Wells

Ads for Zurich, a global insurance agency that has a base in the Chicago area, recently popped up at the Washington/Wells stop to celebrate the company's 100-year anniversary. The ads look back at Chicago's progression as a city over the past century. But if riders want a taste of nostalgia at this Loop stop, they should hang out on the platform that services the Orange, Pink and Purple lines, where there is a working pay phone. The CTA in 2010 opted not to renew the contract with the company that operates the pay phones, which once numbered in the hundreds across the system. Though some phones still are in operation, they are a rarity. A piece of history, even.

**Next up:** Monroe Red Line

## TWEET INDEX

### Hot right now

Here's a look at what was trending on Twitter on Monday as Chicago headed back to the office after a wild weekend of warm weather.



#### Hungry?

"The Hunger Games" hits theaters this week. Fanboys and fangirls, rejoice.



#### Pizza time!

Michael Bay is turning the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles into aliens.



#### Reeee-make

Queen Latifah is going to remake the '80s chick flick "Steel Magnolias" for Lifetime.



#### Pey-Day

Peyton Manning could be heading to Denver to play for the Broncos.

# 'HUNGER GAMES'

## and other guilty pleasures

RedEye contributor Stephen Markley got a lot of response from his column Monday, in which he said the popularity of teen novels such as "The Hunger Games" among adults is evidence our society is getting dumber. Here's what people were saying about that on RedEye's Facebook wall.

"It should be considered a children's novel."  
—Alex Alvevaz

"Maybe if 'adult' books were more entertaining, I'd read more of them."—Kristin Ann Vanderbilt

"TBH, this started with the Harry Potter books."  
—Efrem Pannell

"I think part of the problem is the fear of being termed a 'nerd' or 'dork' is part of why many won't get into a real challenge. I also think it's that quest to retain youth ... hence when I see folks in their mid-20s and up who act like teenagers."—Alex Moschopoulos

"What's wrong with reading for the sake of reading? Fiction novels can take us anywhere. I read for the love of reading."

—Joanna Frigo



Jennifer Lawrence stars in the "Hunger Games" movie.

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Rick Santorum poses for a photograph with an admirer Monday at the Venetian Club in Rockford.  
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# MIDWEST TEST

## SMILE! ALL EYES ARE ON ILLINOIS FOR GOP PRIMARY

### Chicago Tribune

Illinois primary voters head to the polls Tuesday to choose nominees for the fall in races from the White House to county court-houses. The primary comes after a final week of campaigning that has seen the Republican presidential battle overshadow lower-level candidates seeking attention.

For a state that is home to President Obama and run by Democrats, the grueling, months-long GOP battle for the nomination provides the state's out-of-power Republicans with a real say on national politics for the first time in decades. Democratic voters, meanwhile, will decide several heated congressional contests in newly drawn districts.

At stake for Mitt Romney are not only 54

elected national convention delegates, but the chance to gain much-needed momentum with a big-state victory. For a vastly outspent and out-organized Rick Santorum, a win in Illinois would upend Romney's slow drive to the nomination and fuel questions about the former Massachusetts governor's electability and ability to unify core GOP conservatives.

Both candidates provided some final-day fireworks Monday that reflected Romney's attempt to woo fiscal conservatives and Santorum's appeal to social conservatives.

During stops in northwestern Illinois, Santorum declared he "didn't care about the unemployment rate" and argued that "the issue in the race is not the economy." The former Pennsylvania senator sought to stake out a broader theme that his candidacy is about picking a Republican defender of small government and individual economic and social freedoms.

But Romney, who has focused on the na-

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tion's economy and fiscal conservatism, used his final public stop of the day to criticize Santorum.

"I do care about the unemployment rate. It does bother me. I want to get people back to work," Romney said to cheers from a town-hall audience at Bradley University in Peoria.

In Rockford, Santorum sought to appeal to blue-collar Republicans by engaging in a form of class warfare by mocking Romney's financial background.

"I heard Gov. Romney here call me an economic lightweight because I wasn't a Wall Street financier like he was," Santorum said. "Do you really believe this country wants to

elect a Wall Street financier as president of the United States? Do you think that's the kind of experience we need, someone who's going to take and look after, as he did, his friends on Wall Street, and bail them out at the expense of Main Street America?"

The lengthy day of campaigning definitely had a presidential atmosphere. Romney delivered an economic speech at the University of Chicago, where Obama previously taught law students. Santorum ventured to Dixon, the boyhood home of Ronald Reagan, and noted Reagan ran an "insurgent" campaign in 1976 against a candidate backed by the GOP establishment, President Gerald R. Ford.

Still, Santorum was forced to explain his remarks about the unemployment rate and the economy. "My campaign doesn't hinge on unemployment rates and growth rates. There's something more foundational," he said. Santorum added that his candidacy transcends economic issues to include fundamental free-





doms while Romney is focused on campaigning as a government economic manager—something he said was anathema to true conservatives.

Amid a flurry of TV ads, automated telephone calls and mailers, other candidates on Tuesday's ballot struggled for attention.

After the presidential contest, the biggest races are for Congress. But voters in many towns will be greeted by unfamiliar names on the ballot after Democrats used their power to vastly shift congressional boundaries in an effort to wrest back a majority in a state delegation that went Republican in the 2010 mid-term elections.

Though Democrats sought to force incumbent Republicans to face off against each other, Democrats have the most primary contests Tuesday.

In the new South Side and south suburban 2nd District, Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. faces a challenge from former one-term Rep. Debbie Halvorson of Crete. The new northwest suburban 8th District features a battle between Tammy Duckworth and Raja Krishnamoorthi, each of Hoffman Estates, in a contest to challenge Tea Party-backed freshman Republican Rep. Joe Walsh.

The new north suburban 10th District features a four-man Democratic contest growing especially bitter between Ilya Sheyman of Waukegan and Brad Schneider of Deerfield. The winner faces freshman Republican Rep. Robert Dold of Kenilworth. In the exurban 16th District, the state's lone contest be-

### WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?

Although it once was questionable whether the March 20 Illinois election would matter, the muddled results from 10 states on Super Tuesday have made the Land of Lincoln relevant in the GOP presidential primary.

Illinois last played a major role in Republican presidential politics in 1988, when then-Kansas Sen. Bob Dole's campaign effectively collapsed after he was thumped by then-Vice President George H.W. Bush. That fall, the state went on to back Bush against Democrat Michael Dukakis, the last time Illinois went Republican in a presidential election.

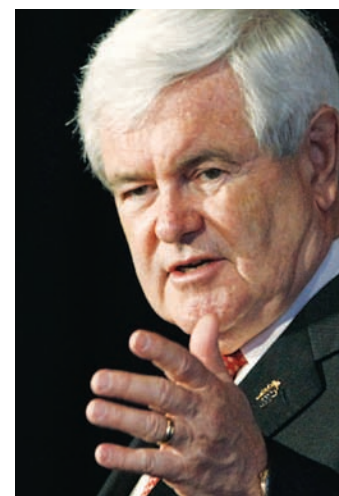
Illinois also is being looked upon as holding a special cachet—not just for its trove of convention nominating delegates, but also for the symbolism of being the home state of President Obama. **TRIBUNE**

tween incumbent Republicans has been a hotly contested battle between veteran Rep. Donald Manzullo of Leaf River and first-term Rep. Adam Kinzinger of Manteno.

Also on the ballot are dozens of judicial and county races as well as contests for the state Legislature, which also has newly drawn post-census boundaries. All 118 House seats and all 59 Senate seats are up for an election—an occurrence that happens only once every decade.

## THE CHALLENGERS

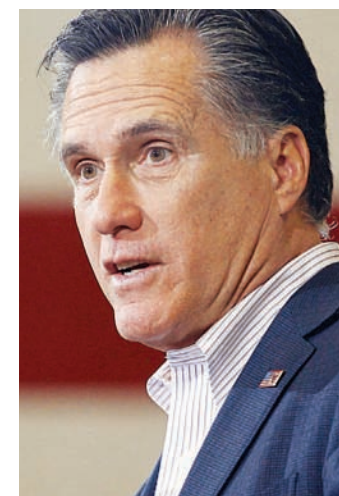
The fight for the Republican presidential nomination has been a long slog. If you're just tuning in—or need a quick refresher—here's a look at the GOP challengers and where they stand in the race. At this point it's not entirely clear who will take on President Obama in the November election for the White House. **AP**



### Newt Gingrich

*Residence: McLean, Va.*

Newt Gingrich was a political power in the Republican Party during the 1990s when he served as House speaker. But the congressman turned pundit, author and businessman wants to return to Washington in the nation's highest elected office.



### Mitt Romney

*Residence: Belmont, Mass.*

Mitt Romney is the presumed front-runner in the Republican presidential field, emphasizing his business savvy and career in politics.



### Ron Paul

*Residence: Lake Jackson, Texas*

Despite views considered quirky by some—including the return to the gold standard abandoned in the 1930s and abolishing the IRS—Ron Paul has made his mark in the presidential race as a strict libertarian who would scale back the role of the federal government in domestic and foreign policy.



### Rick Santorum

*Residence: Leesburg, Va.*

Former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum is popular among social conservatives for his opposition to abortion, gay marriage and embryonic stem-cell research. While his appeal comes from his conservative stance on issues, his sometimes abrasive style alienated voters in Democratic-leaning Pennsylvania.



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Andy Thayer is trying to acquire a parade permit so a group he is leading can protest the NATO meeting in May in Chicago. **CHRIS WALKER/TRIBUNE FILE**

# CITY REJECTS NATO PROTEST

## Chicago Tribune

After approving a parade permit for protest against the G-8 and NATO summits in Chicago, the city has denied an identical application by the same group seeking to hold its march one day later in the wake of the White House's decision to move the G-8 conference.

The demonstrators asked to move their march from Saturday, May 19, after the G-8 meeting scheduled to start that day was moved by President Obama to Camp David. The protesters filed a permit that was identical to the one the city approved for Saturday, except the date was changed to Sunday, May 20, when the NATO meeting is set to start.

But this time the city rejected the request, citing a lack of police officers as well as other security and logistics complications from the very summit the demonstrators are seeking to protest.

"The commissioner finds that there are not available at the time of the parade a sufficient number of on-duty police officers, or other city employees authorized to regulate traffic, to police and protect lawful participants in the parade and nonparticipants," wrote Mike Simon, assistant commissioner of the Chicago Department of Transportation.

The previously approved march was to begin at Daley Plaza and wind south to McCormick Place, where world leaders are scheduled to

## PROTESTERS HOPEFUL

Protesters, including the permit applicant, Andy Thayer, met with city officials Monday to discuss the city's proposed alternative route. Thayer said the city rejected the alternative but will continue meeting with officials. "Hopefully, we can work something out," he said.

hold two days of meetings. The new application for May 20 proposed following the same route.

In a March 15 denial letter, the city offered an alternative route chosen by city officials, which would keep the march out of the Loop by moving the starting location to the Petrillo Music Shell in Grant Park along the east side of Columbus Drive.

The new permit request was denied because the NATO conference involves more delegations, and therefore more motorcades, than the G-8 conference, city spokesman Roderick Drew said in a statement. The original march permitted for Saturday would have taken place the day before the NATO meetings began.

"We are still negotiating with Mr. Thayer and are hopeful that we can reach a solution that is satisfactory to all parties," Drew said.

# Viewers flock to TSA video

## Chicago Tribune

A video viewed more than 94,000 times since it was posted to YouTube on Sunday apparently is supposed to show that the TSA is harassing the traveling public, in this case a young boy on his way to Disney World with his family.

The 3-minute, 14-second clip with the crawl line "TSA nabs suspected Al Qaeda terrorist" shows a TSA screener chatting up, patting down and swabbing a toddler in a leg cast and wheelchair.

During the incident, the unidentified boy's father can be heard off camera reassuring the child and cooperating with the TSA screener.

It purportedly happened at O'Hare, according to text accompanying the video. Not true, according to a TSA official. It actually was at Midway.

The incident took place in spring 2010, well before the TSA in September 2011 eased its rules regarding screening procedures of children 12 and younger, the TSA said.

The rule change allows young children to keep their shoes on during screening and reduces, though does not necessarily eliminate, pat-downs that otherwise would be conducted to resolve alarms by metal detectors and other devices.

Asked whether the child still would have had his cast and wheelchair patted down or whether he would have been swabbed for bomb residue if the screening were done after the rule change, TSA officials could not immediately say.

# 15 injured when car hits CTA bus

More than a dozen passengers reported injuries Monday after a vehicle rear-ended a stopped CTA bus on the South Side, transit officials said.

The eastbound No. 4 bus was stopped on 83rd Street as the driver waited to turn south onto Cottage Grove Avenue at 6:56 p.m. when another vehicle struck the rear of the bus, a CTA spokeswoman said.

A total of 15 passengers reported injuries.

Chicago Fire Department officials said 13 people were sent to area hospitals, where their condition had stabilized.

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## 1 Shooter targets Jewish school

A gunman on a motorbike shot dead three children and a teacher at a Jewish school in Toulouse, France, on Monday, just days after apparently killing three soldiers nearby. The gunman had not been captured by Monday night.

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## 2 Starbucks juiced over new store

Starbucks opened the first store in its new Evolution Fresh juice bar chain Monday in Bellevue, Wash., its biggest move outside coffee and one it hopes will boost the company's position in the \$50 billion health food sector.

## 3 'Desperate' case ends in mistrial

A judge in L.A. declared a mistrial Monday in actress Nicollette Sheridan's wrongful termination lawsuit against "Desperate Housewives" creator Marc Cherry and ABC. Sheridan was asking for \$5.7 million in damages.

## 4 Missing balloonist found dead

A search-and-rescue team on Monday found the body of a missing hot air balloonist who crashed near Fitzgerald, Ga., three days earlier. Officials believe he was sucked into a storm and fell from about 17,000 or 18,000 feet.

## 5 Liner collides with container ship

A luxury cruise line ship collided in deep fog with a container ship off Vietnam on Friday, punching a hole in the container ship and knocking passengers off their feet, a passenger said Monday. The ship went on to anchor in Ha Long Bay, as had been planned.

## 6 A better burger? Wendy's passes BK

Wendy's surpassed Burger King in sales last year, making it the second-largest U.S. hamburger chain, according to Chicago-based researcher Technomic Inc. Both of them trail McDonald's by a wide margin.

# Recovery is simple haironomics

Forget manufacturing employment figures and consumer confidence surveys. The state of American hair could signal how well the economic recovery is progressing.

Visits to beauty salons tend to slip during downturns, as customers stretch out the periods between appointments. But once the economic outlook improves, industry experts such as Paul Mitchell hair care company founder John Paul DeJoria say, customers start flooding back into salons for more touch-ups.

Beauty salon sales grew at a nearly 5.4 percent rate last year and in 2010, compared with a 2.3 percent increase in 2009, according to financial information company Sageworks.

Hairdressers' profit margins averaged 7.8 percent in the past two years—higher than during the recession.

By 2020, the Bureau of Labor Statistics expects, customers will need 15.7 percent more hairdressers, hairstylists and cosmetologists—nearly 98,400 positions that will need to be filled.

A Professional Beauty Association index tracking the industry's health and outlook reached record highs last year, with 57 percent of salon owners saying they saw a same-store sales increase between the first quarters of 2010 and 2011. In another historical high, 34 percent said they added employees over the same period.

### WHAT'S THE PAY?

Hairdressers in 2010 made an average annual salary of \$22,760, including tips, with the highest-paid workers in the industry setting up shop in New Mexico, Texas and Colorado, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

From 2009 to 2010, the overall hair-care market grew 2.3 percent, according to the report, with shipments of hair-care products reaching \$1.9 billion. In the same stretch of time, hair color shipments increased 6.3 percent while smoothing and straightening treatments jumped 3 percent.

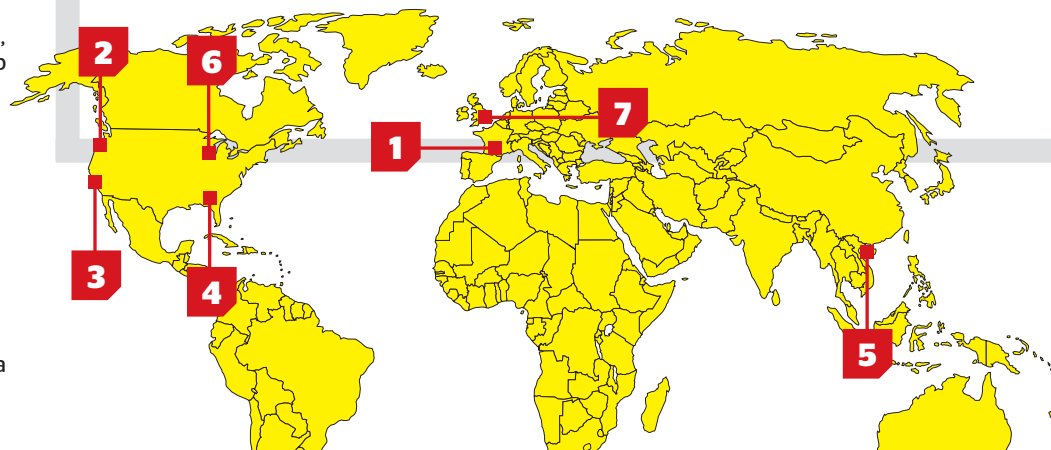


7 Former cricket player Andrew Flintoff (right) sits in a bathtub sidecar with British inventor Edd China at the controls as they try to break the fastest toilet world record Monday at Wembley Stadium in London. GETTY IMAGES



“Rosie fails at everything. ... At some point, let her rest. Let her go away.”

—Donald Trump, to Fox News, continuing his feud with Rosie O'Donnell and piling on after the announcement that OWN has canceled her Chicago-filmed "The Rosie Show"



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## Manning's move sets into motion a series of NFL changes

### RedEye

Peyton Manning Watch might be ending, but a new edition of Tebowmania might be upon us.

On Monday, reports surfaced that former Indianapolis Colts quarterback Manning had chosen Denver as his new home and will sign with the Broncos soon, barring major contract negotiation setbacks. That means, of course, that current Denver QB and media darling Tim Tebow will have to find a new home.

But he's not the only one. The Bears signed Jason Campbell; Green Bay backup Matt Flynn went to Seattle, the Jets signed Drew Stanton—and that's just a start.

The 2012 NFL offseason has been the year of the quarterback change, with Indy's release of Manning—presumably to pick up Stanford quarterback with its No. 1 pick—earlier this month as just one of the biggest moves. Here's a flow chart of the Manning-related shifts.



### Denver QBs

Brady Quinn to Kansas City Chiefs; Kyle Orton to Dallas Cowboys; Tim Tebow to Miami or Jacksonville?

# Quarterback Scramble

Peyton Manning  
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## More Madness? Bring it on



**Chris Sosa**

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OK, college hoops overlords. If you're intent on eroding my resistance until I accept a beefed-up NCAA Tournament, listen up.

Starting in 2001, it was a solitary play-in game two days before the main course. Very subtle.

Now it's four games, including two matchups that are noticeable

upgrades from No. 16 seeds. Less subtle.

Initially, I cringed when we were force-fed these changes. Expansion is unlikely to add national title contenders to the field, so it felt like a cash grab as much as anything.

However, with the ranks of Division I men's hoops ballooning to 345 teams in recent years, this party needs more hors d'oeuvres. Besides, the NCAA Tournament's early stages aren't about powerhouses; they're about dragon slayers. The Lehighs. The VCU's. The Northwesterns.

Gotcha! That last one was a trick. Everyone knows the Wildcats are doomed to the NIT for eternity, no matter how big the NCAA tourney field is.

As for the Big Dance, make room for 96 teams, or 28 percent of D-I men's programs. That's not so large that the event forfeits its exclusivity.

Award automatic bids to regular-season conference winners as well as conference tournament champs. And if you want to make things really interesting—and prevent teams from surreptitiously tanking in their conference tourneys—guarantee a bye in the first round of the Big Dance to teams that sweep both titles.

Just don't entertain the thought of extending the regular season, lest March Madness slide into April Apathy. Instead, dive into conference schedules by mid-December at the latest. No one will be devastated if you subtract a week of the big boys playing snoozeworthy opponents before Christmas-time. Wrap up conference tournaments a few days before Selection Sunday while you're at it, so fatigue is less of an issue.

Then, that Tuesday and Wednesday, give us two more days of basketball bliss. Sixteen games each day. More Cinderellas, more celebrations, more reasons to leave work early.

Go ahead and make the leap, NCAA powers-that-be. I won't be mad at ya.



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# THE BLUES

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<b>1</b> The Blackhawks play the NHL's worst team in Columbus on Tuesday, so ...	... it's not a coincidence Columbus also spells "Burn Locus," a place for bums.	... Raven.	... it might be weird to play against yourself in three years	... plan on Michael Frolik actually showing up.	... losing there would be worse than pouring lemon juice on a paper cut.
<b>2</b> How do you imagine Brian Scalabrine celebrated his birthday Sunday?	He had his last name for dinner?	Sitting around watching everyone else playing on the moon bounce.	Trying to remember how he ended up on the roof of a Stony Island motel Saturday night.	Unfortunately, a celebration wasn't allowed until the Bulls were up by 25 with less than 30 minutes left in his birthday.	Scal's friends threw a huge party, but he only came for the last minute.
<b>3</b> What's the symbolism behind Adam Dunn's stiff neck?	He's a stiff. See, normally, I'd pass on a softball like that, but those are the only kinds he can hit.	He's an allegory for Leon Trotsky.	It's similar to the pain White Sox fans have had since the team signed him.	It's symbolic of the stiff heart attacks I get from watching him swing.	It's hard to hold your head up when critics fill it with garbage.
<b>4</b> How are you going to remember how to spell Jeff Samardzija's last name this year?	I think it's part of the "Laverne & Shirley" theme: "Shlemiel, Samardzija, Hasenpfeffer Incorporated ..."	"J" before "Z" except in Samardzija.	Just watching his jersey on the way back to the minor leagues.	Like everything else: my Speak & Spell.	"See, Athletic Motions Are Really Darn Zippy In Jeff's Arm!"
<b>5</b> If Tuesday's Illinois GOP primary were a sporting event ...	... I don't talk about preseason.	... Santorum would win if it involved playing with balls.	... we would still be rooting for the brother to win at the end.	... it would be polo: A competition between rich white people for the adoration of rich white people.	... it'd be an MMA fight: competitors with diverse styles trying to destroy each other.

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### Solo wanted to play with the guys

U.S. women's soccer team goalie **Hope Solo** proved herself in the

women's World Cup last summer, and she almost tried to do the same for a men's professional team after the Women's United Soccer Association closed up shop. "I thought about it [playing in a men's league] when our league folded," she told **goal.com**. "... And I do believe I would have been able to take care of myself and handle my own if it was a lower division." We do too, Hope, we do too.



### Corey's big week

Blackhawks goalie **Corey Crawford** was named the NHL's Second Star of the Week

on Monday after winning three straight games in goal. Crawford had a 3-0-0 record, a 1.09 goals-against average and a .948 save percentage for the Hawks during that span.

### Please, think of the fish

Here's a shock. Animal Rights Foundation of Florida doesn't like the aquariums-as-backstops at Marlins Park in Miami. "I can tell you even if the glass doesn't shatter, it's going to cause a tremendous vibration and disturb and upset the fish," spokesman Don Anthony said. The aquariums separate the first row of seats from the field. Frankly, we're more worried about Ozzie Guillen down there.

# Rose breaks silence

## 'Frustrated' Bulls star talks for first time in a week

**ORLANDO, Fla.** Derrick Rose doesn't crave the spotlight even when he's playing basketball at a most valuable player level.

So the weeklong silence that Rose broke Monday morning shouldn't have surprised anyone. Beyond being bummed by a sore groin that sidelined him for a fourth straight game Monday night against Orlando and likely will keep him out for all three games this week, Rose believes attention should be focused on active teammates who he might not be joining for a while.

Here's what he had to say on a variety of topics.

### HIS INJURY

"They say with an injury like this, they don't know how long it's going to take. I thought I was going to be back sooner. I'm missing big games that I hate to miss, like the one [Monday]."

### HIS RECOVERY

"I haven't been able to run in a couple days, just making sure that my leg is OK and making sure that the pain goes away very quickly."

### HOW HE WAS INJURED

"I went to the hole and took off kind of wrong and Jeremy [Lin] beat my shot. I thought I was going to take off but I couldn't get up that high. I just felt a pull. I thought it was like a charley



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Derrick Rose  
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horse or something. When I went down, I tried to stretch out but there was pain there. I wanted to play through it and I think I made it worse. After the game, I remember walking back into the locker room and I told the trainers immediately that I wasn't feeling right, that my leg was really messed up."

### DEALING WITH BEING OUT

"It's definitely been frustrating. This is the most I've ever been

injured in my life. The biggest thing is just staying strong mentally. We're playing good right now. It's definitely hurting me, but I'm keeping a positive attitude."

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"I thought they were facts. Losing 25K definitely hurts. I don't care who you are. I was just frustrated at the time. I couldn't hold myself back from saying what I said."

**THE MOUTHWATCH**  
I think that is probably something that Thibs could look back on when his career is over and say, 'That's big, that's huge.' And that would be huge. But I know how Thibs is."

— Bulls center **Joakim Noah** on coach Tom Thibodeau reaching the 100-win milestone

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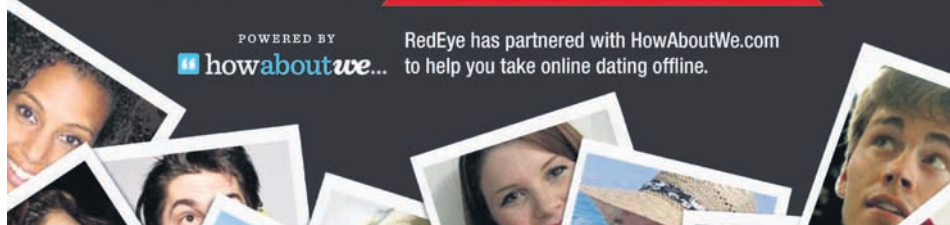
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Miss Piggy and Kermit

# Muppets headed to a DVD player near you

By Matt Pais

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With "The Muppets" coming out Tuesday on Blu-ray/DVD, we emailed some questions to Kermit the Frog and Miss Piggy.

Read the full interview at [redeyechicago.com](http://redeyechicago.com).

## MISS PIGGY

**Which Muppet is the most difficult to make a movie with and why?**

Tough question. With the exception of Kermit, they're all difficult. Why? Well, just look at them—they're weird, noisy, chaotic, out-of-control and obviously know nothing about haute couture or personal style. On the other hand, that also applies to a lot of other stars in Hollywood, so I go with it. It's all part of being in show biz.

**Jason Segel says he thinks the puppets in his house are why he's still single. But Muppets are awesome. Why aren't they attracting more prospects for him?**

Well, I think there are a number of other reasons Jason is still single. Part of it is height. The man is tall. A girl has to wear 16-inch heels to come up to his chin. As for puppets, I have no idea why that would scare someone away. I think it's time for Jason to look in the mirror ... just as soon as I'm done with it.

**If you and Kermit were to get married, would you go by Mrs. Piggy or Miss Piggy the Frog?**

Are you planning to buy moi a present? If so, don't wait for the wedding, I'll take it now. Name-wise, I will always be "Miss Piggy"—moi has a lot of brand equity invested in that moniker, so to speak.

## KERMIT

**What celebrity cameo in "The Muppets" most excited you and why? Tell me what you said to each other.**

So many incredible stars showed up to be in our movie; I want to thank them all. But I really have to say that having Jack Black in the movie was a special thrill, especially since he had to be tied to that chair so we could finish filming. What did we say to each other? Well, I said "sorry" and he said something about legal action. Thanks, Jack!

**Jason Segel was thrilled to write a movie for you. If you wrote a movie for him, what would it be about?**

Good question. If I wrote a movie for Jason, it would be a sports movie. He'd play a struggling boxer who fights his way to the title, and we could call it "Raging Bullfrog." Whaddayathink?... Funny, that's just what the studio said when I pitched it. Sheesh!

**Who is the mother on "How I Met Your Mother"? If Jason Segel didn't tell you, who do you think it is?**

Miss Piggy. Jason didn't say that, but you've got to admit it would surprise the heck out of everyone ... even her.



# Sunny vibe in 'Tiger Talk'

By Matt Pais

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**Need to know:** Despite evoking a heavily American, '70s pop-rock sensibility, Yukon Blonde hails from Vancouver. Less surprisingly, native Canadian "How I Met Your Mother" character Robin Scherbatsky is a fan.

**Need to appreciate:** The effortlessly sunny vibe that permeates throughout, from jangly opener "My Girl" to the sweet harmonies of "Oregon Shores" to "For LA," which resembles Surfer Blood with less edge.

**FYI:** The breeziness of the band's 2010

self-titled debut has focused into something more concise, with melodies sticking stronger than the words. Regardless, this is still easily addictive, highly recommended road trip music.

**Random trivia:** "Tiger Talk" features two songs with that animal in the title: "Breathing Tigers" and "Six Dead Tigers."

**Highlights:** "Stairway," "Breathing Tigers"

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## Tiger Talk

Yukon Blonde



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- John Carter 3D (PG-13) 12:15,1:00,3:30,4:25,6:40,7:40,9:45,10:50
- John Carter (PG-13) 11:40,3:00,6:10,9:15
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- Project X (R) 12:10,2:30,5:10,7:50,10:20
- Act of Valor (R) 12:40,3:40,6:40,9:30
- Safe House (R) 12:20,3:10,6:20,9:00
- Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) 1:20,3:50

### DAVIS THEATRE (VALUE)

4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago  
(773) 784-0893

- 21 Jump Street (R) ★ 5:30,7:45,10:10
- John Carter (PG-13) ★ 7:10,10:00
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 5:15,7:15,9:15
- The Artist (PG-13) 5:15,7:30,9:50

### FORD CITY 14 (AMC)

S. Cicero at 76th, Chicago  
(888) AMC-4FUN  
Show times change daily

- John Carter (PG-13) 10:25,1:45
- Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance (PG-13) 11:05,1:35,4:10,6:50,9:30
- Safe House (R) 10:45,1:55,4:45,7:45,10:30
- Project X (R) 10:10,12:35,3:00,5:20,7:30,9:55
- Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG-13) 10:40,1:30,4:15,7:15,10:10
- Chronicle (PG-13) 10:50 A.M.
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) ♦ 11:30,1:10,2:10,3:45,4:50,7:40,9:00,10:00
- AMC Independent Casa de Mi Padre (R) 11:10,1:50,4:30,7:05,9:40
- Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) 1:20,4:05,7:00,9:35
- Silent House (R) ♦ 10:30,12:50,3:10,5:35,8:00,10:30
- A Thousand Words (PG-13) 10:20,1:00,3:50,6:40,9:20
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) ♦ 10:35,11:00,1:40,4:20,6:35,7:10,9:50
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) 10:55,2:20,5:10,5:40,8:40,9:10
- 21 Jump Street (R) ♦ 10:15,1:05,4:00,7:20,10:05

### GENE SISKEL FILM CENTER

164 State Street  
(312) 846-2800

- The Holy Girl (R) 6:00 P.M.
- Identity Card (NR) 6:00 P.M.
- Madly in Love (NR) 8:30 P.M.

### LOGAN THEATRE

2646 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago  
(773) 252-0628

- The Goonies (PG) 5:20,9:40
- The Wizard of Oz (G) 7:30 P.M.
- Enter the Dragon (R) 5:30,10:10
- The Blues Brothers (R) 7:40 P.M.
- Safe House (R) 7:00,9:30
- The Artist (PG-13) 5:40,7:50,10:00

### MUSIC BOX

3733 N. Southport, Chicago  
(773) 871-6604

- A Separation (PG-13) 4:20,7:00,9:30
- Kill List (NR) 7:30 P.M.
- The Long Day Closes (PG) 5:20,9:40

### THE PATIO THEATER

6008 W. Irving Park Road  
(773) 685-4291

Call theatre for show information

### RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)

322 E. Illinois Street, Chicago  
(888) AMC-4FUN  
Show times change daily

- John Carter (PG-13) 11:05,5:00,10:55
- Wanderlust (R) 11:20,4:45,10:00
- Wanderlust (R) (Closed caption) 11:20,4:45,10:00
- The Vow (PG-13) 2:00,7:20
- The Vow (PG-13) (Closed caption) 2:00,7:20
- Safe House (R) 11:25,2:15,5:15,8:15,11:00
- Safe House (R) (Closed caption) 11:25,2:15,5:15,8:15,11:00
- AMC Independent The Descendants (R) 11:45,5:20,11:00
- AMC Independent The Artist (PG-13) ♦ 11:25,1:45,4:10,6:55,9:40
- Project X (R) 11:05,1:15,3:30,6:00,8:40,10:55
- AMC Independent The Iron Lady (PG-13) 11:50,2:25,4:50,7:30,10:15
- Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG-13) 2:30,8:05
- Act of Valor (R) 11:30,2:10,4:45,7:45,10:50
- Act of Valor (R) (Closed caption) 11:30,2:10,4:45,7:45,10:50
- AMC Independent Jeff, Who Lives at Home (R) ♦ 11:00,1:26,3:51,6:18,8:30,10:41
- AMC Independent Justice (R) 11:40,2:05,4:35,7:00,10:00
- AMC Independent Friends With Kids (R) ♦ 11:10,2:00,4:45,7:40,10:40
- AMC Independent Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG-13) 11:55,2:20,5:00,7:30,10:20
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 11:15,1:45,4:05,6:30,8:50,11:00
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) (Closed caption) 11:15,1:45,4:05,6:30,8:50,11:00
- AMC Independent Casa de Mi Padre (R) 11:00,1:30,4:00,6:30,9:00
- Silent House (R) 11:15,1:45,4:05,6:30,8:50,11:00
- Silent House (R) (Closed caption) 11:15,1:45,4:05,6:30,8:50,11:00
- Matthew Bourne's Swan Lake in 3D (NR) 7:30 P.M.
- A Thousand Words (PG-13) ♦ 11:30,2:00,4:30,10:15
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 11:40,2:05,4:30,7:05,9:45
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) ♦ 12:00,2:00,3:00,8:00
- 21 Jump Street (R) ♦ 11:00,12:00,1:45,2:45,4:25,5:30,7:10,8:15,10:05,11:00
- Hugo 3D (PG) ♦ 11:00,1:50,5:00,8:00,10:50

### SHOWPLACE VILLAGE CROSSING (AMC)

7000 Carpenter Rd., Chicago  
(800) 326-3264 #2309

- John Carter (PG-13) 12:00,6:35
- Wanderlust (R) 12:40,5:35,10:40
- The Vow (PG-13) 1:00,3:55,6:45,9:40
- Safe House (R) 1:40,4:35,7:50,10:50
- AMC Independent The Artist (PG-13) 3:05,8:10
- Project X (R) 12:45,3:20,5:45,8:25,10:45
- Act of Valor (R) 1:30,4:10,7:00,10:00
- AMC Independent Jeff, Who Lives at Home (R) 12:00,2:10,4:40,7:20,9:55
- John Carter: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG-13) 1:25,4:50,8:15
- AMC Independent Justice (R) 12:20,2:55,5:40,8:35,11:00
- AMC Independent Friends With Kids (R) 12:00,2:35,5:05,8:00,10:35
- Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance 3D (PG-13) 8:15,10:50
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 12:30,1:10,3:10,3:50,5:50,6:45,9:10
- AMC Independent Casa de Mi Padre (R) 12:35,3:15,5:45,8:20,10:55
- Silent House (R) 1:20,3:40,6:15,8:50,11:00
- A Thousand Words (PG-13) 1:15,3:45,6:20,9:00
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 1:50,4:30,7:10,9:50
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) 3:00,9:45
- 21 Jump Street (R) 12:05,1:45,2:45,4:45,5:40,7:45,8:40,10:45

### WEBSTER PLACE 11 (REGAL)

1471 W. Webster Ave., Chicago  
(800) 326-3264 #1641

- The Hunger Games (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) 1:00,2:30,4:10,7:30,9:00,10:35
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 2:40,5:10,8:00,10:20
- 21 Jump Street (R) 1:20,1:50,4:00,4:50,5:30,7:00,7:40,8:20,9:50,10:40
- Seeking Justice (R) 1:15,4:15,7:15,10:15
- Friends With Kids (R) 1:40,4:20,7:10,10:00
- John Carter (PG-13) 5:50
- Silent House (R) 1:10,3:30,5:40,7:50,10:25
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 2:10,4:30,7:20
- Project X (R) 1:30,3:50,6:40,9:20
- Wanderlust (R) 9:55
- Hugo 3D (PG) 2:20 P.M.

### SHOWPLACE GALEWOOD 14 (AMC)

E. Side of Central Ave., just S. of Grand Ave., Chicago  
(800) 326-3264 #1646

- John Carter (PG-13) 1:05 P.M.
- Safe House (R) 1:15,4:05,7:00,9:45
- Project X (R) 1:30,4:00,6:30,9:00
- Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG-13) 1:40,4:35,7:25,10:15
- Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance 3D (PG-13) 12:25,3:00,5:15,7:45,10:10
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 2:30,4:15,5:00,7:30,9:15,10:00
- AMC Independent Casa de Mi Padre (R) 2:00,4:30,7:00,9:30
- Silent House (R) 1:55,4:20,6:40,9:05
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- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 1:00,1:45,3:25,6:00,6:45,8:25
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) 3:10,4:10,6:15,7:15,9:20,10:20
- 21 Jump Street (R) 1:00,2:00,3:50,4:50,6:40,7:40,9:30,10:30

### SHOWPLACE CICERO 14 (AMC)

4779 W. Cermak, Cicero  
(800) 326-3264 #1644

- John Carter (PG-13) 12:30,3:35
- The Vow (PG-13) 4:35,10:05
- Safe House (R) 7:35,10:25
- Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) 2:05,4:40
- Project X (R) 12:35,3:00,5:20,7:50,10:25
- Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG-13) 1:45,7:20
- Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance 3D (PG-13) 12:25,2:45,5:10,7:45,10:15
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 1:30,3:00,4:00,6:30,8:00,9:00
- AMC Independent Casa de Mi Padre (R) 12:30,2:45,5:15,7:45,10:15
- Silent House (R) 12:45,3:15,5:45,8:15,10:30
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- John Carter 3D (PG-13) 1:15,4:20,6:40,7:20,9:50,10:20
- 21 Jump Street (R) 1:30,2:30,4:30,5:30,7:30,8:30,10:30

## MarAd Invites You to a Public Scoping Meeting on America's Marine Highway Program Programmatic Environmental Assessment

The U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration (MarAd) will prepare a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 that will evaluate potential environmental effects associated with further performance of the America's Marine Highway Program.

MarAd is initiating a scoping process to identify community concerns and local issues that will be addressed in the PEA. MarAd plans to hold a **public scoping meeting** to obtain input from the public. The meeting will be conducted using an open house format with informational displays and materials available for public review. There will be no formal presentations. MarAd staff will be present at this open house to answer general questions on the proposed action and the PEA process. Please attend at the following location at your convenience **anytime between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.**

Monday,  
March 26, 2012

Jones College  
Prep School  
606 South State Street  
Chicago, IL 60605

Please visit our website at: <http://www.amhpea.com> for more information. Please submit all comments by **April 16, 2012** to ensure they are considered during preparation of the Draft PEA. You can provide comments in two ways: 1) provide written comments at the scoping meeting or 2) submit comments electronically to <http://www.regulations.gov>

Docket Number MARAD-2012-0015.

## SHOWPLACE ICON AT ROOSEVELT COLLECTION

Clark & Roosevelt, South Loop, Chicago  
(312) 564-2104

- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 12:50,2:40,3:40,5:10,6:10,8:30
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) ★ 12:30,1:20,3:30,4:20,6:30,7:20,9:30,10:20
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 1:40,4:10
- 21 Jump Street (R) ★ 12:40,3:20,6:00,7:10,8:40,9:50,10:45,11:20
- Project X (R) 2:30,5:15,8:10,11:00
- Safe House (R) 1:30,4:30,7:30,10:30
- A Thousand Words (PG-13) ♦ (Closed caption) 1:00,3:45,6:50,9:40
- Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG-13) 1:50,4:45,7:45,10:40
- Act of Valor (R) 2:00,4:50,8:00,10:50
- Jeff, Who Lives at Home (R) (Closed caption) 1:10,3:50,6:20,8:50,11:10
- Silent House (R) ★ 1:45,4:00,6:40,9:15
- Friends With Kids (R) ★ (Closed caption) 2:20,5:00,7:40,10:15
- Seeking Justice (R) ★ 1:15,4:15,7:00,10:00
- Casa de Mi Padre (R) ★ (Closed caption) 2:10,4:40,7:15,9:45
- Matthew Bourne's Swan Lake in 3D (NR) ★ 7:30 P.M.

### VIP Premium 21+

- John Carter 3D (PG-13) ★ VIP Premium 21+ 1:20,4:20,7:20,10:20
- 21 Jump Street (R) ★ VIP Premium 21+ 12:40,3:20,6:00,8:40,11:20

### OAK PARK

LAKE CINEMAS (CLASSIC)  
1022 Lake Street, Oak Park  
(630) 444-FILM #560

- John Carter (PG-13) ★ 4:00
- Project X (R) 1:25,3:30,5:35,7:40,9:45
- Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG-13) 1:45,4:10,6:35,9:00
- Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy (R) 1:00,3:45,6:45,9:30
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 12:00,2:05,4:10,6:15,8:20
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 1:00,3:05,5:10,7:15,9:20
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) ★ 1:10,6:50,9:40
- 21 Jump Street (R) ★ 12:05,2:30,4:55,7:20,9:45

### EVANSTON

CENTURY 12/CINEARTS 6 (CENTURY)

1715 Maple Ave., Evanston  
(847) 492-0123 ♫

- 21 Jump Street (R) 1:40,4:20,7:00,9:40
- A Separation (PG-13) 1:35,4:25,7:15,10:05
- The Artist (PG-13) 12:15,2:45,5:05,7:45,10:15
- The Secret World of Arrietty (G) 2:20
- Safe House (R) 11:35
- Seeking Justice (R) 12:25,2:55,5:30,8:05,10:40
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (PG) 1:00,3:35,5:55,8:15,10:35
- Project X (R) 1:15,3:30,5:45,8:00,10:40
- John Carter (PG-13) 1:10,4:15,7:20,10:20
- 21 Jump Street (R) 12:20,3:00,5:35,8:20
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- Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG-13) 1:50,4:20,7:05,9:40
- Jeff, Who Lives at Home (R) 12:45,3:00,5:15,7:30,9:45
- Casa de Mi Padre (R) 11:30,1:45,4:00,6:15,8:30,10:45
- Friends With Kids (R) 11:50,2:35,5:10,7:50,10:30
- Being Flynn (R) 11:45,2:15,4:50,7:25,9:55
- Footnote (PG) 1:40,4:10,6:50,9:25
- Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (PG) 12:10,2:30,4:45,7:10,9:30
- John Carter 3D (PG-13) 11:40,2:40,5:40,8:40
- Matthew Bourne's Swan Lake in 3D (NR) 7:30





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## ONE DIRECTION

**Members:** Niall Horan (from left), Louis Tomlinson, Zayn Malik, Liam Payne and Harry Styles; all between ages 18 and 20  
**Identity:** The squeaky-clean ones who enjoy many, many peacoats

- 1** They've got the power of the Simon Cowell machine behind them. These four Brits—and one Irish dude—came in third on the U.K.'s "X Factor," signed with Simon's label and took off.
- 2** They might also be your best bet for a Justin Bieber replacement. A quick follicular assessment reveals four of five of these youths are rocking "Baby"-era floppy hair. Now to pick only one ...
- 3** Their big American TV break is coming. The lads are set to back up Sofia Vergara as "Saturday Night Live's" musical guests April 7.

# TEENY POP

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE NEXT WAVE OF BRITISH MUSIC**

**By Dana Moran** | REDEYE

Watch your back, Adele. The almighty songstress has ruled the Billboard 200 for many of the 55 weeks her "21" has charted, but there's another British threat lurking. Teen dreams One Direction are creeping up with their debut release, "Up All Night." Not to be outdone, Brits The Wanted had their Billboard hit, "Glad You Came," featured on "Glee." Here are three things to know about each potential mega-hit group—and stay tuned on Wednesday to see if Adele is unseated.

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## THE WANTED

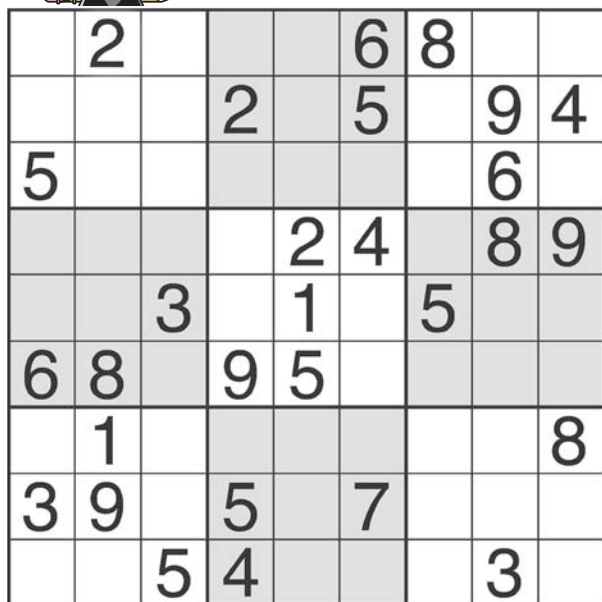
**Members:** Max George (from left), Jay McGuinness, Siva Kaneswaran, Tom Parker and Nathan Sykes, all in their early 20s.  
**Identity:** Bad boys who perhaps fancy themselves British versions of Enrique Iglesias

- 1** Billboard has been good to them, too. Their lead single, "Glad You Came," is at No. 4 on the Hot 100 in its ninth week on that chart. And yes, double-entendre intended.
- 2** You really can't be a boy band without the Bieb these days, it seems. The group recently signed with Scotty "Scooter" Braun, who led our floppy-haired friend to glory.
- 3** Ellen can't resist their charms. The four Brits (hmmm, and an Irishman, imagine that ...) made their American TV debut in January on her show. She's definitely a friend you want to be making.

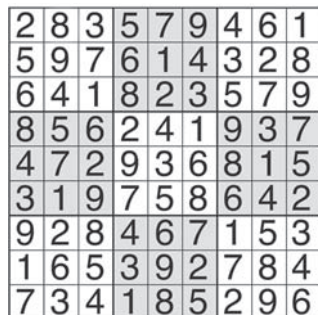


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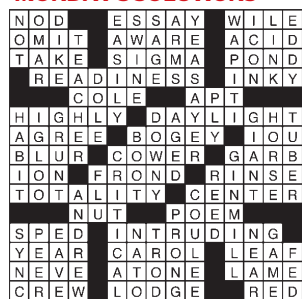




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#### MONDAY'S SOLUTIONS



#### TODAY IN THE YEAR...

**1899:** Martha Place of Brooklyn, N.Y., became the first woman to be put to death by electrocution.

**1985:** Libby Riddles became the first woman to win the 1,100-mile Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, traveling from Anchorage to Nome in 18 days, 20 minutes, 17 seconds.

**2010:** The volcano Eyjafjallajokull in southern Iceland erupted for the first time in 200 years.

Smoke and ash from the volcano would cause major problems for European air travel for months.

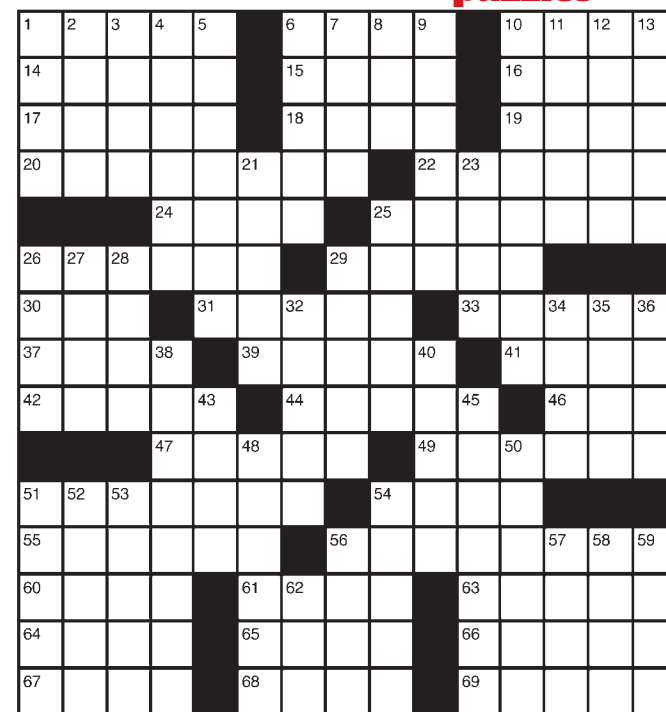
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#### ACROSS

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6 Title for former Russian rulers  
10 Family member  
14 Met production  
15 Uncle Ben's product  
16 Grows old  
17 Joe Louis or Sugar Ray Leonard  
18 Once more  
19 Contemptible fellow  
20 Going into  
22 Even the score  
24 Christmas tree  
25 flakes; sweet cereal  
26 Hee-hawed  
29 Review financial books  
30 Hearing \_\_; sound amplifier  
31 Radio knobs  
33 Chopped finely  
37 Wound cover  
39 Extraterrestrial  
41 Sheltered bay  
42 \_\_ Rouge; Cambodia's rulers  
44 High-intensity beam  
46 McCain or Boxer: abbr.  
47 Capitol roof features  
49 Storage room off the kitchen  
51 Mail carrier  
54 Lose color  
55 More sore  
56 Trustworthy  
60 Smile broadly  
61 Concept  
63 Projectile shot from a bow  
64 Tahoe or Erie  
65 Not messy  
66 Kid with  
67 Individuals  
68 Conclusions  
69 Lawn tool

#### DOWN

- 1 Part of the ear  
2 Sitting \_\_; atop  
3 Bank teller's call  
4 Hair-raising



- 5 Beset by problems  
6 Wading bird  
7 Gusto  
8 Hardware store chain  
9 Prize  
10 Grand  
11 Representative  
12 Come together  
13 Invited  
21 Calcutta's land  
23 Cancel; annul  
25 Protective devices  
26 Lie in the sun  
27 Well-to-do  
28 Eden resident  
29 Assumed name  
32 Steve or Mel  
34 Expense  
35 At any time  
36 Refuse to admit  
38 Hours for hitting the sack  
40 Himalayan nation  
43 "All roads lead to \_\_"  
45 Shine forth  
48 Corps member  
50 Approached  
51 Artist Picasso  
52 Arctic or Indian  
53 Tremble  
54 Brave acts  
56 Peruse  
57 Boast  
58 \_\_ hope; despair  
59 Vase-shaped pitcher  
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# red hot

“When my family celebrates Thanksgiving, we have a DJ.”

— **Sofia Vergara**, to *Esquire*, on how important dancing is to Latinos



## POP STAR

**Nicki Minaj** is going corporate. The Harajuku Barbie has signed a seven-figure deal with Pepsi that will make her the face of a new drink called Pop, **forbes.com** reports. Minaj already filmed her first commercial for Pepsi last month in South America, and it should hit TV screens in the next two months, the site reports.

### Space cadet

**Ashton Kutcher** is going to space. Really ... though no date has been disclosed. The “Two and a Half Men” star has signed up to be the 500th “astronaut customer” on the Virgin Galactic space aircraft, Virgin CEO Richard Branson wrote on his blog Monday. Want to join him in the cosmos? Tickets cost \$200,000 apiece, **usmagazine.com** reports.

### Joy of six

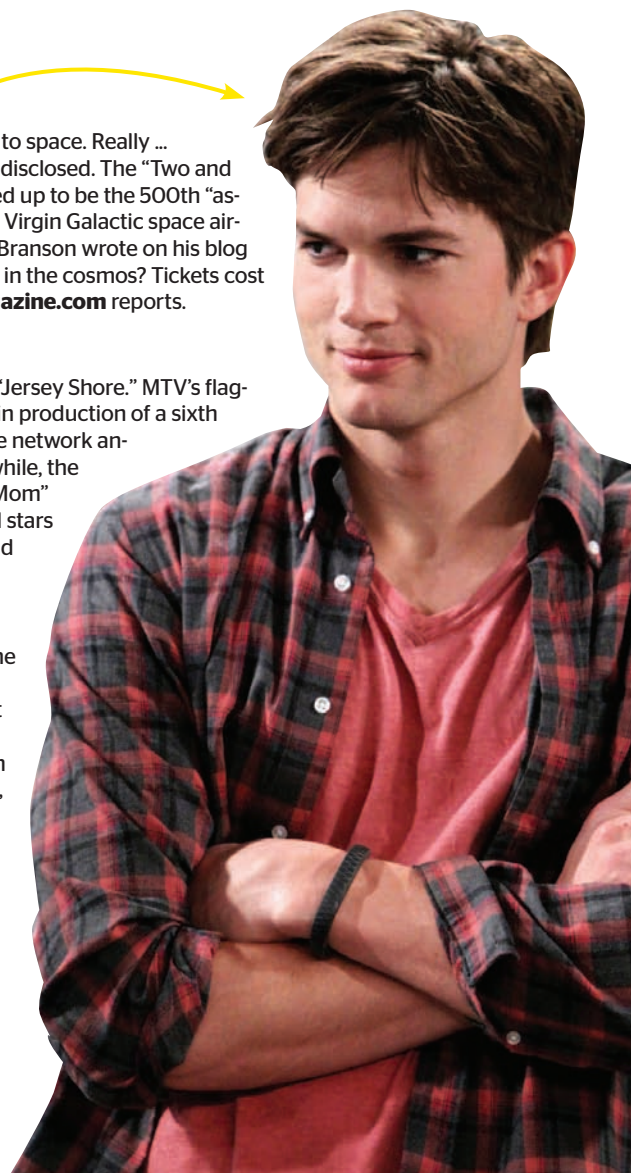
It's back to the beach for “Jersey Shore.” MTV's flagship reality show will begin production of a sixth season in the summer, the network announced Monday. Meanwhile, the coming season of “Teen Mom” will be the last for original stars Maci, Catelynn, Amber and Farrah, MTV said.

### Project Rihanna

Rihanna is ready to join the fashion designer world, but she's not going to just slap her name on any old threads. “I'm working with designers ... that I respect, and [fashion] companies that I respect,” she said on Ryan Seacrest's radio show, **billboard.com** reports. “I want people to really trust me before I just say, ‘Buy it, because it's mine.’”



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### THE DIGIT 9 million

That's how many people watched the Season 2 finale of “The Walking Dead” on Sunday, AMC reports. It was the highest-rated episode in series history.



### HOT DATE April 15

That's when Evanston native **John Cusack** will appear at the Chicago Comic & Entertainment Expo at McCormick Place to show a trailer from his upcoming movie, “The Raven,” and participate in a Q&A session.

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